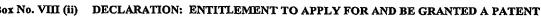
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Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent (Rules 4.17(ii) and 51bis.1(a)(ii)), in a case where the declaration under Rule 4.17(iv) is not appropriate:

in relation to this international application,

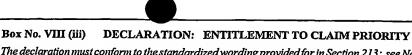
Agency for Science, Technology and Research is entitled to apply for and be granted a patent by virtue of the following:

Institute of Materials Research and Engineering was entitled as employer of the inventor, LIU Bin; and

an assignment from Institute of Materials Research and Engineering to Agency for Science, Technology and Research, dated 5 February 2003.

This declaration is made for the purposes of all designations, except the designation of the United States of America.

This declaration is continued on the following sheet, "Continuation of Box No. VIII (ii)".



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Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application specified below, where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application or where the applicant's name has changed since the filing of the earlier application (Rules 4.17(iii) and 51bis.1(a)(iii)):

in relation to this international application,

LIU Bin is entitled to claim priority of earlier application No 200206545-6 by virtue of the following:

the applicant is the inventor of the subject matter for which protection was sought by way of the earlier application.

This declaration is made for the purposes of the following designations for national and/or regional patents: US.

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